

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
Ulrich Fotheringham et al.  
Serial No. )  
Filed: ) Group:  
Title: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ) Examiner:  
CERAMIZING THE STARTING GLASS OF )  
GLASS-CERAMICS )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT DELETING  
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please enter the following amendments to the application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

In claim 4, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 3" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 6, line 1, delete "one of the claims 4 or 5" and substitute therefor --claim 4--.

In claim 7, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 6" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 8, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 7" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 9, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 8" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 10, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 9" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 11, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 10" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 15, line 2, delete "one of the claims 12 to 14" and substitute therefor

--claim 12--.

In claim 17, line 1, delete "one of the claims 15 or 16" and substitute therefor

--claim 15--.

In claim 18, line 1, delete "one of the claims 12 to 17" and substitute therefor

--claim 12--.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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